

Appl. No. 09/865,989  
Amdt. dated September 10, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of July 11, 2003



#### REMARKS

Claims 76-103 are pending and under consideration in the instant application. With this response, the specification and Claims 76 and 84-86 have been amended. Claim 77 has been canceled. After entry of the instant amendment, Claims 76 and 78-103 are pending and under consideration.

#### III. AMENDMENT OF THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended to include a proper priority benefit claim. Applicants submit herewith a Petition to Accept an Unintentionally Delayed Claim for Priority under 37 CFR. §1.78. If the Petition is granted, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment to the specification.

#### IV. AMENDMENT OF THE CLAIMS

Claim 76 has been amended, in relevant part, to recite, that at least one L-enantiomeric residue of formula I is replaced with an identical D-enantiomeric residue. Support for amended Claim 76 can be found in Claim 1 as originally filed and page 44, lines 15 to 29.

Claims 84-86 have been amended to correct dependency. Claims 85 and 86 were also amended to correct the formula for 'X.' Support for amended Claims 84-86 can be found in Claims 16-18 as originally filed.

Applicants submit that currently amended Claims 76 and 84-86 are fully supported by the specification and do not introduce new matter. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments.

#### V. PRIORITY

The PTO acknowledges the claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to Application Serial No. 09/465,719, filed December 17, 1999. Application Serial No. 09/465,719 is a continuation of Application Serial No. 08/940,093, filed September 29, 1997. Applicants did not identify all applications and their relationship in their priority claim. The error was unintentional. Applicants submit herewith a Petition to Accept an Unintentionally Delayed Claim for Priority under 37 CFR. §1.78. Upon